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Classified By: Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer, reasons 1.4(b),(d).

(C) Post delivered reftel demarche and related documentation to MOFA Southeast Asia Division Principal Deputy Director Atsushi Kuwabara on October 23. Kuwabara expressed appreciation for the update on the latest U.S. response to recent developments in Burma, but had no information on any possible additional steps that Japan might take. He said Japan continued to monitor the situation closely, and was looking forward to the October 25 visit to Tokyo by Special Envoy Gambari. Japan continues to believe that China should be doing more, Kuwabara noted, and hoped to hear positive news from Gambari's recent meetings in China.
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